### FISCAL NOTE

## HB 1015 - SB 1548

February 25, 2005

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Changes the designation of the firefighter "supplemental income bonus" to "educational incentive." Establishes a fixed amount of \$600 for the educational incentive. Current law allows for a bonus of up to \$600.

# **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

## Increase State Expenditures - \$1,326,000

### Assumptions:

- An amount of \$3,321,000 will be needed to fund the salary supplements of 5,535 firefighters @ \$600 each.
- The appropriation for salary supplements in FY04-05 is \$1,995,000, which is approximately \$370 per firefighter.
- Each year the number of eligible firefighters increases by approximately 2.5%. Therefore, state expenditures are expected to increase in the second and subsequent years. There are approximately 6,100 firefighters that could become eligible for this bonus.

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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